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I think it is well past time to close the case on Microsoft and allow the settlement to remain as it is. The nine states that are holding out should be required to accept the DOJ's settlement or receive nothing. It's idiotic to claim that Microsoft charged too much for their software and that consumers are entitled to a refund. I have found Microsoft software to be an excellent product at a reasonable price. How would the states refund any money to the consumers after the state and the weasel lawyers take their share off the top: Pennies, perhaps. They're wasting the government's time and money and they should be stopped. As far as the AOL suit goes, they are far worse then any other computer related company when it comes to shady dealings and overcharging customers. In additon, the program disks they mail to potential customers are the worse form of junk mail and are a nuisance. That suit should be thrown out.

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